

Hale

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Dear Herman:

You should have received Esther's statement about Gal₃ and Gal₉; she hopes this covers your requirements.

Esther is deeply preoccupied now with writing her review, and asked me to put the following questions as urgently as possible. Could you answer posthaste with the enclosed stationery? (We have just moved into the medical center and there is some momentary confusion about our exact postal address).

1. According to your ms. with ~~KXXXXXXX~~ Kurahashi, last line page 14, the galactose-sensitive strains of Fukasawa and Nikaido 'seems also to have a single block in the Gal-1-P uridyl transferase'. Surely this is a typographical error and you mean here the epimerase (as you said in your talk). Please confirm. (Esther will put 'epimerase' in her ms. referring to you, and will change in proof if we have really misunderstood you.)
2. p.18 'The complex polysaccharides..from W-3099 did not contain detectable amounts of galactose'. Can you say specific^{ally} which strain ~~xx~~ does have detectable galactose. Is it K-12?

We hope Dr. Soffer is working out well in Baltimore, and at the same time is not too much of a nuisance for you. Give him our best (and yours!)

As ever,



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